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242 State Street, State House Station 18
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Date: November 12, 2003
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Date Prepared: November 5, 2003

Location: 242 State Street
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MEETING AGENDA

CONSENT*

COMMUNICATIONS ITEM(S):

1. VERIZON NEW ENGLAND INC. D/B/A VERIZON MAINE, DOCKET NO. 2003-739, Request for Approval of Interconnection Agreement With XO Long Distance Services, Inc., Order Approving Interconnection Agreement (Sukaskas)

ELECTRIC ITEM(S):

2. BANGOR HYDRO-ELECTRIC COMPANY, DOCKET NO. 2003-793, Application for Approval of Issue of Securities (\$20 Million Senior Unsecured Notes), Draft Order (Kivela)

GAS ITEM(S):

3. NORTHERN UTILITIES, INC., DOCKET NO. 2003-663, Request for Approval of Affiliated Interest Transaction With Granite State Gas Regarding the Lease of Office Space, Draft Order (Kivela)
4. BANGOR GAS COMPANY, LLC, DOCKET NO. 2003-725, Proposed Tariff Revision for Annual Price Cap Rate Adjustment Pursuant to Order Approving Rate Plan, Draft Order (Kivela)

REGULAR

CAD ITEM(S):

5. DOCKET NO. 2003-731, Appeal of Consumer Assistance Division Decision #2003-14789 Regarding Northern Utilities/Bay State Gas, Consideration of Appeal (Steneck)

COMMUNICATION ITEM(S):

6. MAINE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION, DOCKET NO. 1999-851, Investigation into Verizon -Maine's Alternative Form of Regulation, Consideration of Order Granting Request for Waiver of SQI Rebate Requirements (Kania/Ballou)

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7. MAINE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION, DOCKET NO. 2001-827, Investigation of the Rate Design of Community Service Telephone Company and COMMUNITY SERVICE TELEPHONE COMPANY, DOCKET NO. 2003-491, Implementation of 2002 Amendment to Chapter 204, Proposed Access Rate Reduction and Local Rate Increases, Draft Order (Ballou)
8. TDS TELECOM COMPANIES (Island Telephone Company), DOCKET NO. 2002-497, Request for Universal Service funding and TDS TELECOM COMPANIES (Island Telephone Company), DOCKET NO. 2003-481, Implementation of 2002 Amendments to Chapter 204, Draft Order (Ballou)
9. UNITEL, INC., DOCKET NO. 2002-712, Request for Universal Service Funding, and UNITEL, INC., DOCKET NO. 2003-488, Implementation of 2002 Amendments to Chapter 204, Draft Order (Ballou)
10. VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC., D/B/A VERIZON MAINE, DOCKET NO. 2003-483 Implementation of 2002 Amendments to Chapter 204, Draft Order (Ballou)
11. FAIRPOINT NEW ENGLAND (Standish, China, Maine, Sidney, and Northland) DOCKET NO. 2003-485, Implementation of Amendments to Chapter 204, Draft Order (Ballou)
12. UNION RIVER TELEPHONE COMPANY, DOCKET NO. 2003-489, Implementation of 2002 Amendments to Chapter 204, Draft Order (Ballou)
13. OXFORD TELEPHONE COMPANY, DOCKET NO. 2003-492, Implementation of 2002 Amendments to Chapter 204, and OXFORD WEST TELEPHONE COMPANY, DOCKET NO. 2003-493, Implementation of 2002 Amendments to Chapter 204, OXFORD TELEPHONE COMPANY, DOCKET NO. 2003-809, Reduction in Access Rates Pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. 7101-B and OXFORD WEST TELEPHONE COMPANY, DOCKET NO. 2003-810, Reduction in Access Rates Pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. 7101-B, Draft Order (Ballou)
14. SACO RIVER TELEPHONE COMPANY, DOCKET NO. 2003-494, Implementation of 2002 Amendments to Chapter 204, Draft Order (Ballou)
15. PINE TREE TELEPHONE COMPANY, DOCKET NO. 2003-495, Implementation of 2002 Amendments to Chapter 204, Draft Order (Ballou)

CONSERVATION ITEM(S):

16. MAINE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION, DOCKET NO. 2002-162, Procedures for Conservation Program Planning, Consideration of Order Adopting Plan for Transition From Interim to Ongoing Programs (Bergeron)

RULEMAKING ITEM(S):

17. MAINE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION, DOCKET NO. 2003-626, Repeal of Chapter 37, Energy Conservation Adjustment for Electric Utilities, Consideration of Order Repealing Rule (French)

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